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LS: Counting tomorrow

- 12-hour ban orders in Mysuru, 42-hour curbs in Mandya
- No liquor sale for 24 hours from midnight today
- People barred from taking out victory processions

Police personnel deployed for security at Maharani's College of Commerce and Management in city where counting of votes will take place.

Mysuru, May 22 (RK&BCT)- Fool-proof preparations have been made to ensure that the counting of votes polled in the Lok Sabha elections goes off without a hitch tomorrow and all arrangements are in place for counting of votes cast for Mysuru-Kodagu Parliamentary Constituency to be held at Maharani's College of Commerce and Management on Valmiki Road.

Mysuru Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar, who is also the District Election Officer, told reporters yesterday that counting will commence from 8 am and there might be nearly 6,500 postal ballots to be counted first. Later, counting of EVM votes which will be taken up in 15 rooms encompassing all the eight Assembly segments in the constituency — Krishnaraja, Chamaraja, Narasimharaja, Chamundeshwari, Hunsur, Periyapatna, Virajpet and Madikeri.

In all, 13,12,404 voters have exercised their franchise and there will be 19 rounds of counting. Officials can complete around 2 to 2.5 rounds of counting per hour and hence the official final announcement of the result can take place only around 3 pm. VVPAT (Voter Verified Paper Audit Trail) counting will start only after the completion of the EVM counting, as per the directives of the Election Commission of India and the Supreme Court.

A huge machinery of 1,300 government officials, excluding over 2,000 Police personnel involved in security arrangements, will be deployed to complete the process. A total of 132 tables have been set up for counting with 15 tables each for Madikeri, Virajpet, Periyapatna, Hunsur, Krishnaraja, Chamaraja and Narasimharaja Assembly constituencies.

Eighteen tables have been set up for Chamundeshwari segment, which has the highest of 338 polling booths.

This apart, there will be four tables to count postal votes and five tables to scan the votes cast through Electronically Transmitted Postal Ballot System (ETPBS). The deadline for receiving postal votes is till 8 am tomorrow, just before the counting of the votes begins.

(See COUNTING on page 9)

To Our Readers

Turn to Page-8 for Abracadabra titled **"Opposition thinks of Modi, Modi thinks of Country — Congress Party must go back to the People from the Dynasty." —Ed**

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Mysuru, Wednesday 22nd May 2019

Space sharing

Even as the *physical* space in the country remains constant *per se*, its availability per citizen shall gradually and steadily shrink over the passage of time, thanks to the unrelenting annual addition to the land's headcount at an average number of births in a day currently estimated as 50,000 or near about. The share in the space for each citizen is conditioned by two factors — economic disparity and social diversity, the latter factor marked by *a)* Different faiths followed by people and *b)* Castes and sub-castes in their thousands by which Indians prefer to be identified. Unarguably, these two factors, both separately and in combo influence and largely determine the path every citizen is bound to tread in life. In this backdrop, the just concluded poll to elect people's representatives as Members of the nation's 17th Parliament has more than adequately exposed the money-driven and caste-influenced voting pattern not witnessed anytime before. The role of these factors in landing jobs in one or the other Department of the Government and obtaining seats in educational institutions, particularly those offering professional courses doesn't need any elaboration, except citing the related Constitutional provision to well-marked sections in the population.

The large number of castes in particular and the slew of faiths in general that have a legacy dating back to several centuries have been perceived as *bad* by the cognoscenti while the factor of their hierarchy has made it *worse*, given the acrimony bugging the people in their daily life. Ideals of *a)* Social justice to all citizens and *b)* Inclusive diaspora have been debated in various circles with no signs of achieving either.

As long as the provisions made in the country's Constitution are adhered, implemented lawfully and accepted by its people at large, preferably without grumbling noisily, the world's most populous Democracy, that is us, shall endure. For reasons not necessary to be stated unambiguously, the set of provisions marking some sections of the population, aimed at social justice for them, has not gone down well with those outside the ambit of the privileges. The scenario of one section as the beneficiary of the favour relishing the provision and the rest feeling disillusioned may not change in foreseeable future. That leaves us with the immediate task of achieving an *inclusive* society, which has been talked about in many circles of literati as an important agenda.

The crux of an inclusive society translates to *(a)* Every citizen in the economically productive age to earn by a livelihood consistent with the respective faculties and *(b)* Enabled to have a reasonable *share* in the available total space. If that ideal is achieved, the factors of faith and caste are likely to be sidelined. Humanity and self-restraint, the two attributes hold the key to success in the national task.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

FIGHTING DRUGS WITH FENI: ***Goa Tourism Minister Manohar Ajgaonkar has an advice for tourists. Addressing a conference on Wednesday he urged them not to consume drugs in the State, but drink feni, a popular liquor made locally from cashew fruit, instead. A tourist hotspot, Goa has been fighting a thriving drug trade in the State for years and it assumes serious proportions during various dance and music festivals. "Enjoy the music, drink cashew feni, but do not indulge in drugs," Ajgaonkar told a gathering while talking about the precautions the State Government had taken to ensure drugs were not peddled during the dance and music festivals.*** — *In Business Standard*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Boy invents rain-detecting clothes drying rack

Beijing: A 12-year-old boy named Lu Jiezhen from Nanning in China, recently won the first prize at a science and innovation contest for creating an automatic clothes drying rack that retracts whenever it detects rain and extends again when the sky clears.

The sixth-grader at North-East Women's Education Center in, Nanning, came up with the idea for the automatic rain-detecting drying rack after being yelled at by his mother. One day, she asked him to get the clothes she had hung out to dry, in case it started to rain. But the boy forgot to pick up the clothes when it rained and his mother found the clothes soaking wet. She scolded him for disobeying her. But instead of finding excuses, Lu started thinking about a solution that would make his forgetfulness irrelevant in the future.

The boy sought help from his father and several of his teachers, and they all worked on it for several months and unveiled a functional version at the science and innovation contest.

80,000 bees living in bedroom wall

Granada: A family was shocked to discover that the constant buzzing coming from behind their bedroom wall turned out to be a massive bee colony numbering over 80,000 honey bees.

A couple in Pinos Puente, Granada, asked a local beekeeper to investigate the loud buzz coming from behind their bedroom wall. They had been hearing it for a while and had come to the conclusion that it must be bees. The buzzing got so loud that they couldn't sleep at night that they decided to get professional help. Beekeeper Sergio Guerrero had helped remove bee colonies from their properties before, but what he found behind the wall of this particular house left him speechless – a hive of over 80,000 bees and honey combs over a meter long.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

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Prize winners at 'Rachanotsava'

Sumanasri, Manoj and Keerthiraj, first year PGDM students of Bhavan's Priyamvada Birla Institute of Management (BPBIM), Vijayanagar, Mysuru, have secured first prize in Financial Event — 'Vitta Nirvahaka' — conducted during 'Rachanotsava-2K19' by the Department of Health System Management Studies, JSS, Mysuru, recently. They are seen with Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB) Bengaluru Chairman N. Ramanuja and former MUDA Chairman K.R. Mohan Kumar.

Classical Dance Training by Raasavrunda

Mysuru, May 22- Nandini Eswer's Raasavrunda School of Dance will be conducting regular classes in the classical art forms of Kathak, Mohiniattam and Bharatanatyam. Admissions are open for the academic year 2019-2020.

Those interested may contact Mob: 98867-20924.

Really...?

- ***The only member of the band ZZ Top without a beard has the last name Beard.***
- ***It costs more to buy a new car today in the United States than it cost Christopher Columbus to equip and undertake three voyages to and from the New World.***

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VOICE OF THE READER

What can we do?

Sir,

This has reference to the ***"Editor's Bottom Line"*** in *Star of Mysore* dated Apr.25, 2019. A genuine question has been asked, how we can make the earth habitable again. The problems faced by us have been briefly mentioned in the statements.

Mahatma Gandhi's statement that we need to be the change to do anything practicable to face the problems created by human beings on earth is significant.

We have done sufficient damage in the name of modern living showing our pomp and glory without any meaning. They are meant to dominate over groups that are living in pitiable conditions.

The amount of waste created on earth and in space by the so-called developed, civilised and developing countries is intense. Entire world is suffering due to the luxury of a few. Each country generates global warming waste in the name of industrialisation and development.

What does a human being need? The luxury in which one longs to live without bothering the wants of his or her brothers and sisters around is highly uncivilised. God made man to love one another and keep each other to develop. Alms giving should be curbed.

So it is the man who has to change and live in a normal way keeping the wants under check. Selfishness is needed to live a life, but selfishness should not lead to greediness disturbing the natural way of life. Science and technology in the hands of uncivilised, selfish and greedy people have become a curse rather than a grace bestowed upon human beings by Nature.

What is said here is very simple, but has profound significance. Between great things we yearn to do and little things we spurn to do, we should not be doing nothing. Forgetting this we may continue to damage the environment. Man has to change.

—Dr. M.C. Subbaramu,
Ex-BARC, Mumbai and
Dr. C. Ningappa, Vidya Vikas
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Free pre-cataract check-up camp

Mysuru, May 22- Annapoorna Eye Clinic, Mysuru, will be conducting a free pre-cataract and pre-pterygium surgery investigations for all cataract and pterygium patients at the clinic's Kalidasa Road branch from May 23 to May 26.

The camp will be held between 10 am and 7 pm on all the four days.

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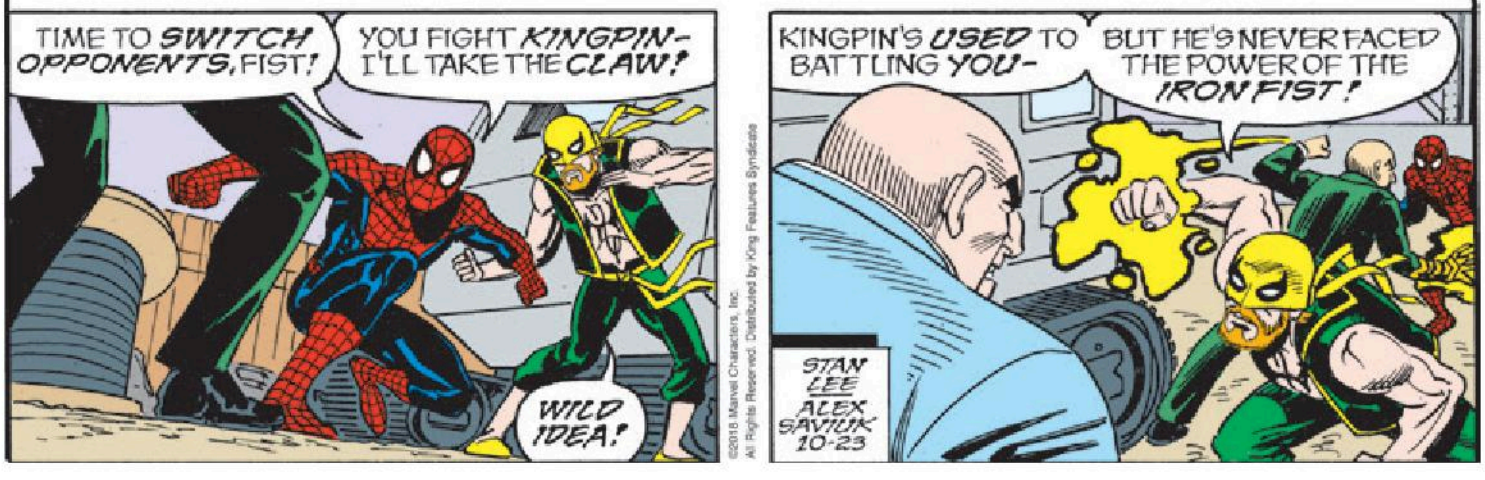
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NEWS BRIEFS

Hostel admissions

The Department of Social and Tribal Welfare has invited applications for pre-matric and post-matric girls and boys hostels at Periyapatna, Ravandur, Bylakuppe and Panchavalli. Students studying from class five to Second PUC can apply. Scheduled Caste and other backward classes community students studying from class 1 to 7 can apply for admissions to Abbalathi, Doddahosur Hostels and Muttur Colony Ashram Schools. Interested may submit the applications before June 15. For details, call Ph: 08223-273128, stated the release.

Felicitation

Mysuru Iyer's Association has invited applications from the community students who have scored 90% and above in SSLC and PUC exams to felicitate them. Interested community students should send a written application along with a copy of marks card and photo before May 31 to V. Balasubramanyam, # 401, Veene Shamanna Road, Old Agrahara, Mysuru-4. For details, contact Mob: 94484-64148.

Admission extended

CPC Polytechnic in city which has invited applications from candidates who have passed SSLC for admission to first year diploma courses for the year 2019-20 has extended admissions till May 28 at 5.30 pm. Interested may submit the applications at the office of the College.

Ph.D Awardee

The University of Mysore (UoM) has awarded Ph.D in Education to B. Senthamizh Selvan for his thesis titled "Effect of Computer Based Learning Package on the Achievement in Chemistry and Attitude towards Learning Chemistry at Secondary Level" submitted under the guidance of Dr. G. Viswanathappa.

Obituary

Pramod Gowda

Mysuru, May 22- Pramod Gowda (45), a resident of Jayanagar, passed away yesterday afternoon in city.

He leaves behind his wife, two sons and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at K.G. Koppal Burial Grounds here this morning, according to family sources.

'No insurance claims for passengers travelling in goods vehicles'

DLSA Member-Secretary B.P. Devamane at awareness programme

Mysuru, May 22 (KS)- "Public, children and labourers should not use goods vehicles as a mode of transport. If people travelling in goods vehicle meet with an accident, the victims will not get any insurance claims," said District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) Member-Secretary B.P. Devamane.

He was speaking after inaugurating an awareness programme on 'Ferrying passengers in goods vehicles is illegal,' organised by DLSA at Atlantic Apparels, Unit-2 in Belavadi Industrial Area here on Monday.

Continuing, Devamane said that it is important to know the laws and added that children, labourers and other members of the public are travelling in goods vehicles which is a crime according to the Supreme Court order. Stating that no one should go against the laws, Devamane urged the public and labourers to approach DLSA office located in Jayanagar if they have legal issues.

RTO Prabhuswamy, who also spoke, said that if there are problems pertaining to inadequate public transport facilities for factory employees to go to their work places, concerned Department would take steps to solve the problem and urged the employees not to travel in goods vehicles.

Mysuru Division Assistant Labour Commissioner A.C. Thammanna, factory Manager B.N. Rajith, Advocate N. Sundar Raju, Senior Labour Inspectors Nikhil Chandra (4th Circle), K. Geetha (2nd Circle), G.B. Veena (3rd Circle) and S. Shashidhar (1st Circle) were present.

Mandi Mohalla group clash: MLA Nagendra instils confidence among residents

MLA L. Nagendra seen speaking to residents at Mandi Mohalla in city last evening.

Mysuru, May 22 (SPN&DM)- MLA L. Nagendra has urged the Police Department and the MCC to clear the encroachment on footpaths in streets around Mission Hospital, Mandi Mohalla and thus pave the way for free pedestrian movement and parking of two- wheelers.

Speaking to press persons here yesterday after visiting the families of the victims of the group clash that took place near Mandi Mohalla Market over a trivial issue on Sunday night, Nagendra alleged that a group comprising members of a community had damaged houses, cars, two-wheelers and other properties and even threatened residents.

Accusing shop owners of encroaching footpaths around Mandi Mohalla Market, Pattegar Street, Kabir Road, Akbar Road and Mission Hospital Road, Nagendra said that the encroachments had given very little space for pedestrian movement and two-wheeler parking. This encroachment had often caused frequent verbal duels between shop keepers and Sunday's incident was a result of long standing dispute among shopkeepers, he said.

Nagendra further alleged that miscreants have smashed the window panes of the residence and also damaged houses and vehicles of several other residents.

The MLA urged the Police to take stern action against miscreants who had damaged properties over a trivial issue.

Corporators Rangaswamy, Guru Vinayak, leaders Viji, Raju, Srinivas, Somasekhar Raju, Sathyamurthy, Harsha, Jusco Ravi, Badreesh, Chikka Venkata and others were present.

MANDI MOHALLA RETURNS TO NORMAL

Meanwhile, several parts of Mandi Mohalla which witnessed a tense atmosphere following Sunday night's group clash, returned to normal on Tuesday.

The Military Hotel and its adjacent Textile shop, which were the root cause of the clash, remained open on Tuesday and did business as usual.

The clash had erupted after the owners of the Military Hotel and the Textile shop entered into a heated argument over parking of two-wheelers in front of the shops.

Following the clash, MLA L. Nagendra took out a padayatra in troubled areas of the locality last evening and instilled confidence among the residents.

Even as the locality returned to normalcy yesterday, Mandi Police continued their patrol in the backdrop of Ramzan festival.

Elderly couple murder case

Three Police teams continue investigations

Mysuru, May 22 (SBD&KS)- Three Police teams are continuing the investigations to nab the killers who had murdered an elderly couple at their farm house near Nagawala in the taluk on May 13 night and the murder had come to light the next morning.

The deceased elderly couple — Veerappa (80) and his wife Shivamma (75) — was allegedly murdered on May 13 night and the killers had smashed their heads with a hammer and other objects, it is learnt.

Yelwal Police, who had registered a case in this regard, had taken up the investigation and had collected information from the villagers about the deceased's family members and other persons who used to frequent the elderly couple's house.

Though the Cops have found no clues, the three Police teams have intensified the investigation.

It is learnt that Veerappa had made an agreement to sell a part of his land and had kept the money he had received as advance from the purchaser with him.

The Police, who conducted a preliminary investigation, have suspected that someone known to the couple may have murdered them.

Mango and Jackfruit delight from May 24

Mango and Jackfruit Mela 2019 will be worth your time this weekend

Mysuru, May 22 (MTY&BCT)- It is the season of the King of Fruits, after all. And the cool soiree called Mango Mela-2019 is the best reason to have your (freshly-plucked) mango and eat it too. Mysuru city will throw the most happening mango and jackfruit gala for fruit connoisseurs from all walks of life from May 24 to 28.

So, get ready to hit the grass at one of the most excursion-worthy events known as Mango and Jackfruit Mela 2019 at Curzon Park. This time, mango and jackfruit lovers can relish carbide-free fruits.

The Mela will be organised by the Horticulture Department and the event will provide a platform for farmers to sell their produce directly to consumers, and visitors will get naturally ripened fruits. "The fruits sold here are free of calcium carbide — a ripening chemical, which traders often use to get good colour and smell. Mangoes sold at the mela can also be retained for a longer period," said Deputy Director for Horticulture A.B. Sanjay.

Addressing a press conference in city last evening, he said that the mela will create awareness among the farmers and also the consumers, about natural-ripening of mangoes, using ethylene gas. The Mela promises to be a delight for all those who love mangoes and jackfruits. Visitors can choose from a wide range of mangoes and jackfruits that will be on offer at over 42 stalls.

"A demonstration on the use of ethylene gas to ripen mangoes has been organised. As carbide is harmful for both humans and animals, steps are taken to reduce the production and sales of mangoes that are ripened with carbide as a catalyst. Besides, paper carton boxes are encouraged, to make the mela plastic-free. Steps are being taken to create awareness on value-addition among farmers, on the products and by-products," he said.

Some of the mango varieties that will be available at the mela are Badami, Mallika, Dussheri, Amrapali, Malagova, Rasapuri, Sindoora, Thotapuri, Sakkare Guthi, Chinna Rasalu, Rathnagiri Alphonso, Baganapalli and Kesar. Mango farmers from Mysuru, Mandya, Chamarajanagar and Ramanagaram are expected to participate in the Mela. Also, Doddaballapur farmers will bring jackfruits. Mysuru Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar will inaugurate the mela at 11.30 am on Friday.

The fruits will be sold at affordable prices complying with the decision taken by the dedicated committee in this regard. When compared to the market price, fruits at the Mela will be priced less. To ensure healthy and chemical-free fruit to visitors, officials of Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) will check quality of the fruits thrice a day, he said.

Last year's mela sold about 65 tonnes of mango and this year, officials have set a target of selling 100 tonnes. Officials have appealed to the people to bring cloth bags to the Mela and farmers selling their produce have been asked to use only paper carton boxes or cloth bags for packing fruits. There will be stringent checks to ensure that it is a plastic-free Mela, Sanjay said.

Along with Mango and Jackfruit Mela, a 'sasya santhe,' an exhibition of saplings of fruit-bearing trees, will be held at Curzon Park. The *santhe* is being held to popularise cultivation of fruits among the farmers and also other people. The visitors to the mela can buy good quality saplings.

In view of reducing rains, water-intensive crops are difficult to grow. Thus, horticulture, especially cultivation of trees, such as mangoes, which need little water, would get a boost, Senior Assistant Director Horticulture Department Habeeba Nishad said.

The saplings are sourced from various nurseries owned by the Department, and will be sold at affordable prices. A native variety of coconut sapling will cost Rs. 60 at the 'sasya santhe' while a hybrid variety will cost Rs. 170. All fruit trees will begin at a price of Rs. 35 per sapling, she added.

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Who will be the King

and who will be the King-maker ?

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NDA rule or UPA rule is not a matter of concern. For a common man, it does not make any difference. Both are two sides of the same coin. Their only aim is to make their cadre rich. Election promises are best forgotten after elections. Of course, both Congress and BJP have some experience of governance and the Government can last for 5 years comfortably. But the Karnataka model is scary at national level, if the Federal leaders have to depend on Congress for support from outside. The rug can be pulled anytime over some trivial issues resulting in a re-election.

Thursday, 23rd May, 3 pm, the day the fate of the incumbent Prime Minister Narendra Modi will be decided. A month back, it was more or less assumed that the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) would be back on the seat of power but with a reduced majority. But after the fourth phase of voting, the tide was turning towards other regional parties, if *satta* market and share market speculation is anything to go by.

Ballal

Illegal betting

The share market fell for 9 days in a row, a rare phenomena. Election results were not the only reason. The US, China trade war spooked the market to a large extent but there is a growing unease that the election results may throw up a surprise. It is not going to be a walkover for NDA as predicted earlier. The illegal betting on election results in the *satta* market runs into hundreds of crores. These smart operators normally have their ears to the ground and their predictions are more accurate than most of the exit polls.

There is a strong apprehension gaining ground that the BJP and specifically Modi may not get the required number to form the Government in spite of all the bluster shown by Modi and Amit Shah.

As many as 8.4 crore first-time voters were expected to cast their votes in this election with 1.5 crore of them in the age group of 18 to 19 years. These digitally smart voters were the potential vote-bank of BJP and their apathy may cost Modi several seats.

Political bargaining has started in a big way. To be in power means big money and every one wants a slice of the cake. Chandrababu Naidu, K. Chandrashekar Rao, Mayawati, Mamata Banerjee and our own H.D. Deve Gowda are working secretly to cobble a combination which is to their advantage. Parties who are expected to have big numbers like DMK, TMC or TRS will call the shots.

If the BJP gets 230 seats and above, they will form the Government with the help of their allies like Shiv Sena, Akali Dal and a willing ally in YSR Congress. But the problem comes if the BJP gets less than 200 seats. To cobble up the numbers, the BJP has to compromise a lot. There is also a distinct possibility that Modi may be sacrificed and a BJP candidate acceptable to other major parties like Nitin Gadkari may be installed.

Uttar Pradesh, where 80 seats are on offer, holds the key for Modi's return to power. The SP-BSP combination is really formidable. If they get more than 40 seats in UP, it will be very difficult for the BJP to make up the numbers elsewhere. To expect cent percent results in Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh or even Gujarat is slightly farfetched, considering the fact that Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh are Congress ruled at present.

Federal Front

The Karnataka model of governance, where a major party has relinquished its right for governance to a smaller party just to keep BJP out of power, is gaining ground. In Karnataka, in spite of BJP getting a big number, they could not get a few more MLAs to form a Government ! So the Federal Front talked about by KCR and Mamata is a reality. Regional Parties like JD(S), YSR Congress, TDP, TMC, SP, BSP and NCP may cobble a front and ask Congress to support it. In a recent interview P. Chidambaram and subsequently Gulam Nabi Azad has gone on record to say that the main objective of Congress is not to form a Government but to dislodge BJP from power at any cost.

So there is a distinct possibility that the Karnataka model may become a reality and South India, which has so far been a non-entity in national politics with just 129 seats, may become a "King-maker" and by chance a South Indian may become a King too as a compromise candidate.

Why do you think the grand-old-man of Karnataka, H.D. Deve Gowda, is contesting from Tumakuru after giving up his safe Hassan seat to his grandson! His party with 38 seats is ruling the State and enjoying it too. Every now and then they threaten the Congress in the State that in case they fall, BJP would come back to power. Congress Party is caught between the deep sea and the devil. So they quietly make noises and surrender, scared at the prospect of BJP coming back to power.

NDA rule or UPA (United Progressive Alliance) rule is not a matter of concern. For a common man, it does not make any difference. Both are two sides of the same coin. Their only aim is to make their cadre rich. Election promises are best forgotten after elections. Of course, both Congress and BJP have some experience of governance and the Government can last for 5 years comfortably. But the Karnataka model is scary at national level, if the Federal leaders have to depend on Congress for support from outside. The rug can be pulled anytime over some trivial issues resulting in a re-election. A very costly and time-consuming exercise.

The only silver lining is that Congress, whose treasury is nearly empty, is desperate to be in power even unofficially. If they will ensure that the Government runs for at least three years, their treasury gets filled up. Each Federal leader would push or pull to get plum money-making Ministry as at present there is no one in sight who has the ability or presence to be a national leader acceptable to all. But one never knows, a compromise candidate who has the backing of all the Federal parties can come up. The Government of the day has to sometime take unpleasant decisions with firmness. To conclude, there are three possibilities as an outcome of this election.

Outcome

1. If BJP gets 230 seats and above, they form the Government with their allies. However, they will have to cede some plum Ministries to their allies unlike 2014. Modi will have to face the same music Dr. Manmohan Singh faced during his tenure. He will not get a free hand to do whatever he wanted.

2. If BJP gets 200 plus with their money-power, they may surprise the nation by getting new allies and form the Government but there is also a possibility that they may not be able to get the requisite number since BJP is perceived to be a non-secular party! The new allies may demand a new leader instead of Narendra Modi.

3. A distinct but a remote possibility is of Federal Front forming a group and making a claim to form the Government with the support of Congress (Karnataka experiment). A UPA Government looks like a non-starter. One never knows, a compromise candidate may come up. One thing is certain. 'Who will be the King?' will be decided by the Southern States. Do you agree ?

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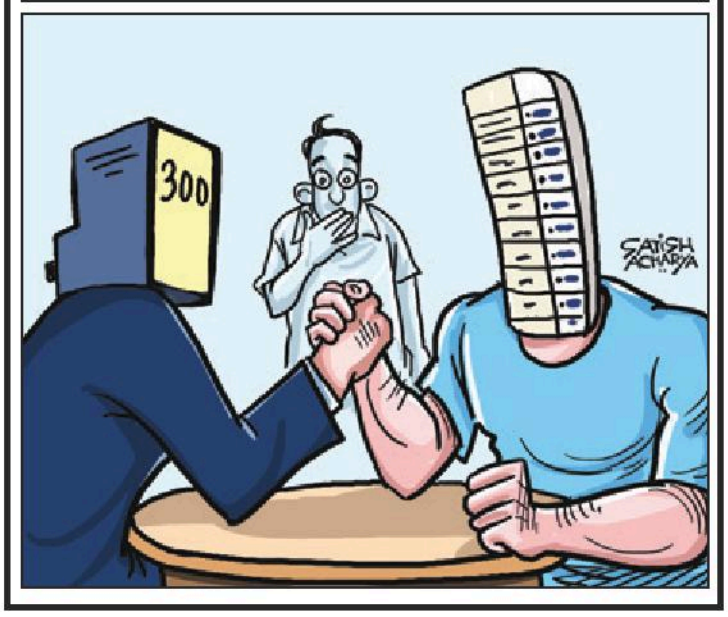
STAR PUNCH By Satish Acharya



Mysuru's New Attraction

Skeleton Gallery at Regional Museum of Natural History

Students viewing the skeleton of the bison that is assembled at the Regional Museum of Natural History.

Mysuru, May 22 (PM&NNN)- The Regional Museum of Natural History (RMNH) in Siddharthanagar is a non-formal environmental education centre built to create awareness among the public and the students through exhibitions in galleries and various educational activities about nature, environment, wildlife and its conservation.

Exhibits are the primary learning resources here. At present, the museum has two galleries: Biological Diversity and Life Through the Ages.

Apart from these two attractions, a new attraction that is coming up here is the Skeleton Gallery. In another year, the gallery will be fully ready with the skeletons of various animals.

RMNH was set up in Mysuru in 1995. Thus the city had one more distinction, among the many firsts, of being selected as the first place to house the Museum in the entire country.

The Biological Diversity gallery presents the basic concepts of natural history and the variety and diversity of geological, plant, and animal heritage of the region. The second gallery, Life Through the Ages, tells the fascinating story beginning with the origin of the earth and life on the planet through the ages, all this is dramatically presented in a walk across a tunnel.

The discovery centre at the museum provides opportunities for visitors, especially children, to handle, examine and study specimens, and participate in creative activities such as painting, modelling and preparing animal masks and costumes.

However, the assembling of the bison skeleton is its first successful mission. This bison skeleton was in the collection of the world famous Taxidermists, the Van Ingens. This had come as gift from the Van Ingen bungalow.

This skeleton has been successfully assembled under the direction of Bhubaneswar Centurion University Professor Dr. Shiva Prasad. The skeleton is placed in a glass case and exhibited at the Skeleton Gallery. Along with the Western Ghats nature exhibition, the skeleton gallery is a new addition.

The skeletons of two pilot whales are another major attraction. These two pilot whales skeleton were brought from Tamil Nadu in 2016. Two elephant heads and jaws are also here and in the coming days, it has been decided to give them a shape.

There is a 30 feet whale here!

In the heart of the RMNH, a 30 feet skeleton of a whale that is going to come up, is sure to give a thrilling experience. The entry to the exhibition which is free, is open from 10 am to 6 pm.

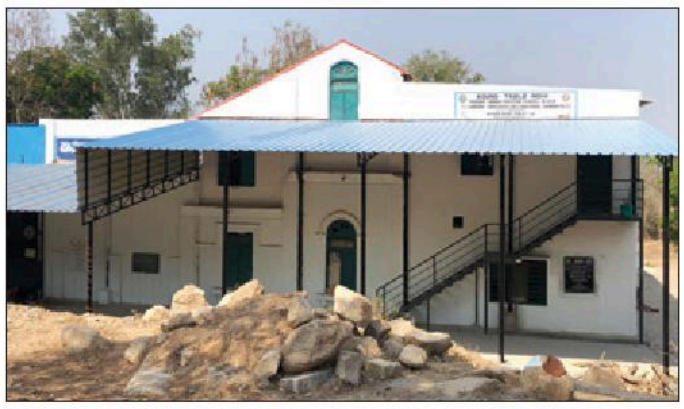
Plans to assemble Elephant Drona's skeleton

There are plans to assemble the skeletons of many animals and exhibit them. Immediately there is an idea to assemble the skeleton of a deer and black buck. Decision is being taken to assemble the skeleton of 37-year-old elephant Drona which died recently at the Mathigodu elephant camp. Since Drona had participated in the Dasara Festival, it is going to be a tourist attraction. The necessary permission to assemble the skeleton has to be taken from the State Government. It will take a lot of time since the body has to atrophy. Only if all these things fall in place will the next steps be taken.

—Dr. G.N. Indresh, Director, RMNH

Classroom, shelter inaugurated

at T.S. Subbanna School atop Ch.Hill



Mysore Round Table 21, one of the Mysore Chapters of Round Table India, inaugurated a completed classroom (2017-18) in collaboration with Tienen Round Table 21, Netherlands and shelter constructed in collaboration with Mysore Ladies Circle 9 at the T.S. Subbanna School atop Chamundi Hill. Cr. Namrata Shenoy, National President, Ladies Circle India; Cr. Sangeetha Mahesh, ACP Area 13, LC India; Tr. Dr. Ravikumar, AST, Area 13, RT India; Tr. Ram, Chairman, MRT 21 and Cr. Savitha, Chairperson, MLC 9 and Circlers of MLC 9 were present. Over 100 students have been benefited by the project.

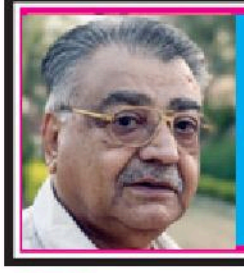
Competitive exam for recruitment of Primary School Teachers

Mysuru, May 22- Examination will be held in 15 centres across the district for direct recruitment of graduate primary school teachers (2018-2019) through competitive exams, which will be held on May 25 and May 26.

According to DDPI, during this recruitment process conducted by Department of Public Instruction, Mysuru, a total of 3,437 candidates will be writing the exams. On May 25, examination will be held for General Knowledge from 10.30 am to 1 pm and English - 2.30 pm to 5.30 pm; On May 26 for Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies - 10.30 am to 1 pm and Test of Language Ability - 2.30 pm to 4.30 pm. Candidates should only use blue or blank ballpoint pen for the exam and should be present at the exam centre at least half-an-hour before commencement of exam, according to the press release.

Rotary Panchsheel Mysuru installed

Rotary Panchsheel Mysuru was chartered into the Rotary fold recently. Seen in the picture are District Governor 3181 P. Rohinath and Assistant Governor Sunil Baliga, who installed the team for the year 2019-20 — S.A. Prem Narayan - Charter President, M.K. Harsha - Charter Secretary, P. Mahendra Reddy - Vice-President, Arun Kumar - President-Elect, Kirthi Kumar - Treasurer, Kiran Robert - Sergeant-at-Arms, K.B. Mahesh - Joint Secretary, S. Shivakumar - Editor, Rajendra Hubli, M.D. Harinath, C.A. Jayakumar, N.S. Anand, B.S. Dinesh, Sudhir Bhat and B.M. Nagesh - all Directors. Also seen are M. Perumal and Jyothi Mukesh, President and Secretary of Rotary Ivory City Mysuru, who sponsored this new Club.



Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Opposition thinks of Modi, Modi thinks of Country

Congress Party must go back to the People from the Dynasty

At a time like this where Indian Democracy is put to severe test of credibility and its future destiny as a Democracy because of the frustrated Opposition Parties, numbering 21, fearing losing the just concluded Parliamentary Elections as indicated by the Exit Polls, it is educative and wise for political pundits to go back in time to the year 1969.

Narendra Modi *Indira Gandhi* *Rahul Gandhi* *M.V. Kamath*

It was a year that had nothing to do with the future of Indian Democracy but it certainly had the seeds of future decimation and death of the **Indian National Congress Party** as it existed since its founding in the year 1885 and even after Independence in 1947. This, by not heeding the advice of Mahatma Gandhi to dismantle the Congress Party after Independence. Probably the Mahatma must have had the premonition that the good old Congress Party would continue to dominate the politics of the country to the detriment of other political parties which would participate in the democratic process.

The love and attachment of freedom fighters and the people in general to Congress Party would continue thereby denying opportunities to the new political parties of winning elections. In other words, Gandhiji must have apprehended if the same old Congress Party was allowed to continue, it would **monopolise** the Indian Democracy. Well, true to his apprehension, that is exactly what happened. Though feeble and without leadership of any worth today, the Congress Party is struggling to keep afloat in the stormy sea of Indian Democracy. To make the situation worse for the Congress, it has a President from the Nehru dynasty who, as *TIME* magazine described, is **"unteachable."** A failed leader.

It is in this context we must remember the year 1969, when Indira Gandhi was the Prime Minister with overweening ambition to be the undisputed leader of Indian National Congress and also to perpetuate Nehru dynasty.

This, however, was not acceptable to the majority of the senior Congress old guards, with S. Nijalingappa as the President of the Party, who were the members of the Congress Working Committee. This led to the conflict of personalities leading to a crisis in the 1969 Presidential Elections — Indira Gandhi supporting V.V. Giri while the majority of Working Committee supporting Neelam Sanjiva Reddy.

Finally, this led to the expulsion of Indira Gandhi from the Party, very significantly, **"for fostering the cult of personality"** which sadly continues even to this day of lamentation with Rahul Gandhi as the inheritor of the dynasty. Finally, the Congress got vertically split as Congress (I) of Indira Gandhi and Congress (O) of others.

This brings me to the present predicament of the once mighty Congress last evening sitting with 20 other regional and puny political parties to decide the future course of action to combat the predicted victory of Narendra Modi of the BJP.

Remember in 1969-70 what the well-known journalist **M.V. Kamath,** who worked for *Times of India* as its Foreign Correspondent for many years and later its Editor, wrote about the fate of the Congress Party ?

Kamath writes: **"Ever since the breakup of the old Congress into Congress (I) and Congress (O), the Congress has remained the family property of the Nehrus — a scandalous state of affairs. The Party has to go back to the people where it really belongs."**

Sadly, that scandalous state of affairs continues to prevail even to this day and the Party refuses to get back to the people where it really belongs. Herein lies the Doomsday. The countdown has begun and only a miracle or a new leadership from outside the Nehru-Gandhi family should save the Party for the country and also to rein in the BJP which might get out of control with certain sections of our Secular country.

Be that as it may, if one closely observed the style and tenor of the election campaign, it was clear the Congress wanted a highly polarised campaign between itself and the BJP ignoring other political parties with disdain as if they don't really matter in the Parliamentary Elections. Congress had launched a multi-pronged attack on the NDA Government and also the Prime Minister Modi personally through social, print and television media so also Law Courts.

It was an exercise in intimidating and harassing the BJP leaders, particularly the Government, to the point of making the functioning of the Government staggering and difficult. Even embarrassing.

Some Judge dies of heart attack somewhere, sometime back and suddenly an NGO finds the cause of action to rush to the Supreme Court and breathe life into what is apparently without life. The Supreme Court gives a clean chit about the Rafale Deal, but then a Review is sought on the same matter based on an allegedly stolen copy of some documents. The Supreme Court is condescending. There was euphoria and even a sort of celebration in the Congress camp that it made its President Rahul Gandhi gloat over the "victory" and in his rhetorical political speech attributed to the Supreme Court what it never said while admitting the Review Petition.

The result: A Contempt of Court case was filed against Rahul Gandhi in Supreme Court by Meenakshi Lekhi, BJP National Spokesperson. Though he tried to play smart with the Supreme Court, the Apex Court was firm and succeeded in getting an apology. Now that the Exit Polls indicate a rout for the **Mahagathbandhan,** a new strategy is being worked out in the name of faulty Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) or the way they were manipulated.

Curiously, the Opposition Parties, specially the Congress, had no issues with EVMs when Congress defeated BJP in the Assembly Elections.

Now, I find the patrons and beneficiaries of Congress Party and the dynasty taking great offence to what Modi said while speaking at a rally in Uttar Pradesh's Pratapgarh Constituency. Addressing Congress President Rahul Gandhi, Modi had said, "Your father was termed 'Mr. Clean' by his courtiers, but his life ended as 'Brashtachari No. 1'." The general perception was that very few expected Modi to stoop so low. But, in an election that is sharply polarised, the Congress President was mouthing anti-Modi rhetoric and abuse to the point of *ad nauseam, 'Chowkidar Chor Hai'* and his henchmen were not sparing Modi's father, mother and even his wife in their utterances and speeches. Naturally, Congress should be prepared to expect similar offending statements in return. After all, as in this physical world, so also in the political world, Newton's third Law of Motion, "For every action, there is an equal and opposite reaction" comes into play.

Looking at the 2014 results and also of 2019 (according to Exit Polls), it could be said that all the abuses and curses heaped upon Modi seemed to have turned into a blessing.

It must be remembered that the first person to despise and belittle Narendra Modi, the then Chief Minister of Gujarat, was Mani Shankar Aiyar. He had very contemptuously said that *'A Chaiwala cannot become a Prime Minister. In case he wants, we can give some space in the AICC Office for him to sell tea.'* However, Modi used this jibe to his advantage. It was a boon ! Everybody knows what happened to Aiyar's prophecy.

In the present 2019 Elections, Aiyar calls Modi a *'Merchant of Lies'* because of what Modi said of Rajiv Gandhi in his election campaign rally. Of course, we all remember how Sonia Gandhi described Modi, when he was the Chief Minister of Gujarat — *'Mauth Ka Saudagar'* (Merchant of Death). Oh yes! **Once again it is Aiyar who called Modi as** *'Neech'* **and then indulged in rigmarole, when some of his Party members disapproved of it, saying his knowledge of Hindi language is poor etc. However, in 2019, he had approved of his comment averring it as prophetic.**

It is time, leaders and members of all political parties respected the sanctity of the **Law Courts** and the **Election Commission** and allowed them to perform their duties without intimidating or abusing them, no matter how high and mighty, no matter from dynasties. While passing orders, these Constitutional Authorities should not allow political considerations to colour their decisions. Remember a senior advocate asking the Supreme Court to postpone the hearing on the Ayodhya dispute till after the Parliamentary Polls? If the trend continues, there is imminent danger to our country's Democracy and Secularism.

TAILPIECE: *A political pundit tells me that should Modi become the PM this time too, the combined Opposition, specially the Congress, would make his life miserable like they did in his first term in Office. He reminded me about Mahatma Gandhi's dislike for Subhas Chandra Bose when he became the President of the Congress Party for the second time in 1939 and how he was described as a Dictator.*

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LS: Counting tomorrow

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Explaining the VVPAT counting, the DC said if the counting of votes in any EVM is not possible due to technical glitch, printed vote slips in its respective VVPAT unit will be counted. After the completion of the counting process in EVMs, the printed vote slips in five VVPAT units, randomly selected from each Assembly segment, will be physically counted to cross-check the authenticity of the votes cast. Thus, the vote slips in a total of 40 VVPAT units will be counted. If the votes in the EVM and the VVPAT unit do not tally, the vote slips in VVPAT will be declared as authentic count.

In Mandya that has attracted the nation's attention, counting will take place at Unitary University (previously called Government College for Boys – Autonomous) off the Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway.

To prevent the possible occurrence of untoward incidents and to maintain law and order, the Mandya district administration has promulgated 42-hour ban orders from 6 am tomorrow under Section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure. In Mysuru, the ban orders will be in force for 12 hours from 6 am tomorrow. Victory procession and bursting of crackers have been banned by the authorities.

There will be a ban on sale of liquor and the decision was taken keeping the safety of public and property in mind. Sale of liquor is banned for 24 hours from today midnight till tomorrow midnight. Police are taking the efforts to minimise, if not prevent, damage to public property as under the influence of alcohol, miscreants may take out processions of victory or defeat, putting the safety of lives and private property at risk.

Earliest results by 3 pm

The earliest result will be known by 3 pm and the Election Commission hopes that the final figure will emerge by 6 pm. However, it can delay further if there are technical glitches or discrepancies. Karnataka Chief Electoral Officer Sanjiv Kumar said the earliest result will be delayed by three hours owing to the counting of VVPAT slips from five booths of every Assembly constituency.

One round of counting takes 45 minutes. For five rounds, it will take 3.45 hours. In some cases, it can exceed four hours," Sanjiv Kumar said. "We will have to count 40 VVPATs in every parliamentary constituency. So, between 3 pm and 6 pm, almost all the results should be out," he added.

"We have made all arrangements to complete the counting process of all 28 seats before 7 pm," he said. Amid allegations about possible EVM manipulations, the CEO said EVMs in Karnataka are well-guarded and safe.

Security arrangements

There will be two officers of the rank of Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), 6 ACPs, 22 Inspectors, 23 Sub-Inspectors, and 103 Assistant Sub-Inspectors. This is apart from 6 platoons of City Armed Reserve, 3 platoons of Karnataka State Reserve Police (KSRP), 10 Mounted Police, 30 Commandos, 40 Mobile Garuda force, and 78 Cheetah squad, said M. Muthuraj, Deputy Commissioner of Police (Law and Order).

A three-tier security is provided to the counting centre, while eight check posts and 24 pickets will be set up to check the movement of miscreants, he added.

An app to track real-time trends on counting day

New Delhi, May 22- Come counting day, you will no longer need to solely rely on the Election Commission's website or news channels to know who's ahead. The poll watchdog has released an app called "Voter Helpline" that will allow users to keep up with real-time trends and results from 8 am on May 23.

Details of counting will be uploaded by the administration on the convenience portal which will be displayed on the Voter Helpline app. Individuals who have installed the Voter Helpline app in their mobile will be able to see the details of the counting of votes immediately through this app. Any Android phone, the Voter Helpline app can be installed from Google Play Store or App Store.

"In this app, the users can accumulate complete information regarding EVM machine. Touching the results column in this app only displays the statistical report of the Lok Sabha elections of the entire country. The results of all the elections held so far in India through this app are readily available," officials said.

Poll officials said that among the features of the app will be one where the user can bookmark a candidate to be informed of their performance routinely. With the app, people will be able to keep pace with regular updates without depending on the returning officer's updates.

The app, which was released on May 12, is among a dozen such digital initiatives of the EC, which include round-wise updates on its website and huge interactive "auto-scrolling" panels at its office at the Nirvachan Sadan in Delhi as well as state Chief Electoral Office premises.

Pratap Simha 'confident' of being victorious

Mysuru, May 22 (RK/DM)- With just a day to go for the counting of votes of Lok Sabha Polls-2019, sitting MP and BJP candidate from Mysuru-Kodagu LS seat Pratap Simha has exuded profound confidence that the NDA head by Prime Minister Narendra Modi will come back to power again.

Pratap Simha

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, Pratap Simha asserted that he was sure of retaining the seat.

Reiterating that the BJP-led NDA will return to power with a comfortable majority, the BJP MP said that the stage would be set for Prime Minister Narendra Modi's re-election to power by tomorrow afternoon.

He further said that PM Modi's development initiatives would catapult the BJP Government to power at the Centre once again and there is no doubt about it.

Meanwhile, coalition candidate, C.H. Vijayashankar of the Congress was not available for comments when *SOM* tried to contact him.

Former CM Siddharamaiah opens first Kannada medium PU Science College

Mysuru, May 22(US&PM)- The inaugural function of Nrupathunga Kannada Science and Commerce PUC College, the first PU College in the State to teach science in Kannada medium, under the aegis of Kannada Vikasa Shaikshanika Samajika Samskrutika Samsthe (KVSSSS) was held at the premises of Nrupathunga school in Ramakrishnanagar.

The new PU College was inaugurated by former CM Siddharamaiah. Former Minister Dr.H.C.Mahadevappa and Kannada Development Authority Chairman S.G. Siddharamaiah were the chief guests. KVSSS President P. Mallesh presided. Secretary S.R. Sudarshan, Treasurer N. Nagachandra, College Hon. Principal Dr.S. Bhadrappa were present. Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Sudarshan said that the new PU College offers two streams PCMB and PCMC for Science and EABC for Commerce. He further said that the College has 14 class rooms, good Physics, Chemistry and Computer laboratories. He added that the fees was as per government rules with no capitation fee.

Temple burgled in city

Mysuru, May 22(MTY&DM)- After a brief lull, temple burglars have stuck again in the city, with a temple in Jalapuri Police Quarters found burgled this morning.

Burglars, who gained entry into Adishakti temple in Jalapuri Police Quarters after forcing open the entry door in the wee hours of this morning, have decamped with 3 mangalya chains and a gold chain.

The burglars also broke open the hundi (offerings box) and made away with cash and the incident came to light when the priest came to the temple as usual in the morning for performing rituals.

The theft at the temple, which is hardly a few metres away from residential blocks, has given rise to suspicion among locals, it is learnt. Nazarbad Police rushed to the spot and conducted mahazar.

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In this week's Pet Talk, Maneka explains how to take care of senior dogs?

Pet Talk

Maneka Gandhi

What causes pet birds to bite?

All pet birds have a tendency to bite. They don't like being touched. A bird may bite when it is tired, stressed, bored, injured, or otherwise ill. A common reason for biting is fear and/ or distrust of humans. The bird may recognise some people, specially those that feed. Others are strangers, and it bites out of self defence. Another reason is that many birds tend to bite when they are feeling playful or are over-stimulated.

What is the difference between cow milk and buffalo milk?

They are different animals, and the milk is different. Buffalo milk contains higher total solids than cow milk. This makes it thicker and creamier. Buffalo milk has more fat and more calories than cow milk. It can be preserved for a longer time than cow milk.

How do I know if any fish in my aquarium is unwell?

Abnormalities on the fish's body, and its behaviour, are clues to know whether the fish is unwell or not.

Fish are usually active; therefore, behaviour such as floating, sinking, and hiding are often signs of a sick fish. Another unusual behaviour is scratching against objects in the tank due to skin infections (parasite invasions). Lesions, spots, and puffiness on the fish's body point out parasitical infections or chemical irritation.

Also, if your fish is having trouble breathing, it will be gasping for air at the top of the tank, signalling unbalanced oxygen levels in the water.

Can smoking affect my pet?

Yes, smoking does affect your pet. Cigarette smoke contains more than 4,000 chemical compounds. Dogs with long noses are at an even greater risk of developing certain nasal and sinus cancers, as they expose more tissue to the carcinogens when they inhale. Cats exposed to second hand smoke have an increased chance of developing squamous cell carcinoma (a type of oral cancer commonly found in humans who smoke tobacco) because the carcinogens in tobacco smoke can settle on a cat's fur and be ingested when the cat grooms itself. Pets can also have strong reactions to smoke particles in the air. Just like humans, pets can develop respiratory infections, lung inflammation and asthma when exposed to second hand smoke.

My cats eat dog food. Is it harmful?

Dog food is not inherently harmful for cats. In an emergency where there is no cat food, it is okay to feed dog food to your cat. However, dog food is deficient in many nutrients and minerals that are essential for cats. Nutrients such as vitamin A, taurine, protein etc. are essential in a cat's diet. These are absent in canned / dry dog food, or are not present in adequate amounts. So, it is not advisable to feed your cat dog food on a regular basis and definitely not as an exclusive diet.

A pigeon has given birth to a few squabs in my balcony. What can I do?

If the babies have already hatched, then the only thing you can do is wait for them to grow up and fly away. The time between when they hatch from the egg to when they fly away from their nest is usually less than four weeks. Once they leave, the babies don't come back to the nest again. Pigeons are very location-specific when it comes to their nest site. Moving the nest over even a few feet can cause the parents to abandon the nest and the newborns.

Do animals have blood groups?

Yes. As long as the animals in question have blood in them, they will have species-specific 'blood groups.' Thirteen types have been identified for dogs, eight for horses and three for cats etc. The blood groups of animals are based on proteins that sit on the outside of red blood cells.

Dogs have more than 12 blood groups, and their red blood cells may contain any combination of these since each blood group is inherited independently. The most important of these is called Dog Erythrocyte Antigen (DEA) 1.1. Typing of blood donors and recipients is done before

transfusion. Approximately 40% of dogs are positive for DEA 1.1, meaning that they have that antigen on their red blood cells. If a dog is DEA 1.1-negative and is given DEA 1.1-positive blood, it may develop antibodies that rapidly destroy the red blood cells if a second DEA 1.1-positive transfusion is given. By selecting donor animals that lack DEA 1.1 or that match the recipient, the risk of sensitising the recipient can be minimised. A DEA 1.1-positive dog may receive either positive or negative blood. In cats we also have A and B but they're not the same as A and B in human blood systems. Horses have groups including A, C, D, K, P, Q and U. Sheep A, B, C, D, M, R and X. Goats A, B, C, M and J.

What are invasive species?

An invasive species is any kind of living organism — an amphibian, plant, insect, fish, fungus, bacteria, or even an organism's seeds or eggs, that is not native to an ecosystem and causes harm. They can harm the environment, the economy, or even human health. Species that grow and reproduce quickly, and spread aggressively, with potential to cause harm, are given the label "invasive." For instance in India the most common example is Prosopis juliflora, known as Ganda Bawal or the Mad Tree, which has taken over most wastelands . Another one is the dangerous Congress grass, or Parthenium, which gives eczema and asthma.

They are primarily spread by human activities, often unintentionally. People, and the goods we use, travel around the world very quickly, and they often carry uninvited species with them. Ships can carry aquatic organisms in their ballast water, while smaller boats may carry them on their propellers. In addition, higher average temperatures, and changes in rain and snow patterns caused by climate change will bring in invasive plant species.

What's the point of putting the dogs back after sterilisation? Doesn't the problem just continue?

No, when dogs are sterilised and put back in their own area, the population and the problems caused by dogs both reduce. Here's how:

Each dog guards its own territory and does not allow new dogs to enter. Since they are all neutered, they no longer mate or multiply.

The main factors leading to dog aggression — migration and mating — are eliminated. So dog-fights reduce dramatically. With the decrease in fighting, bites to humans also decrease.

Since females no longer have pups to protect, this source of dog aggression is also eliminated.

Over a period of time, as the sterilised dogs die natural deaths, the population is greatly reduced.

How should I take care of senior dogs?

As age creeps up on your pet, you will notice a few changes in his or her demeanour. Their boisterous energy tones down, they tend to sleep more and hunt the house for warm spots to curl up in. They could have a decreased appetite and may gain, or lose, weight. They may even develop white hairs on their snout, chin and face. Different breeds age at different times. Bigger dogs tend to age sooner than smaller breeds.

Besides the change that occurs in your pet's physical characteristics, internal changes also occur and, as pet parents, we need to alter the manner in which we care for them. Keeping them comfortable and healthy make be a little more difficult now. We discuss how you can adequately meet these changes.

1. DIET: Older pets will require food that is more easily digestible. Food should contain plenty of anti-oxidants, to help the immune system, and plenty of vitamins and minerals. Speak to your vet on how to retain those that are important. Their metabolism becomes slower and they may put on weight, or reduce, drastically.

2. MOVEMENT: As they age, a pet's joints and bones become weaker. Climbing up and down will become much more difficult and, therefore, you should alter your pet's space so that he can avoid this.

To ease the pain of these aching bones, a bed with ample support is required, thus it is a good idea to invest in a good orthopaedic mattress. The bed should be placed somewhere that is easily accessible. Try to avoid stair-climbing.

3. GROOMING: They become quite sensitive to the cold, so, ensure that you bathe them with only warm water and in a warm room. Dry them immediately after, and thoroughly. Their coat could become bad as they grow older, and you should keep up with regular, gentle brushing to encourage the release of natural oils. This makes the skin much better. Oral care is also required. Remember to brush their teeth on a regular basis, not only does this prevent gum disease but also encourages better breath.

To ensure that your pet is comfortable and healthy, remember to schedule health check-ups as often as every 6 months. This will ensure that you are up to date on any problems that your pet might have, and catching them early makes a world of difference to treat effectively.

What should I do when I see a community dog in danger or ill-health?

Don't attempt to hug an injured dog, and keep your face away from its mouth. Perform any examination slowly. Stop if the dog gets agitated. Call the vet before moving the dog so they can be ready before you arrive. If it is a wound, or a minor injury, then you can treat it, but if you even have a hint of a major bruise then contact an animal hospital or an animal protection group. If you see any act of animal cruelty then speak about it. Never allow an animal to stay in danger. File a First Information Report and then contact an animal protection group. Make sure to follow up on the dog's health.

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Three-day Tennis Ball Cricket Tournament from May 24

Mysuru, May 22 (RKB& US)- Mysuru City and District Brahmana Sangha and Mysuru Brahmana Yuva Vedike together have organised a three-day State-level Tennis Ball Cricket Tournament for Brahmin youth commencing from May 24 at J.K. Grounds here.

Disclosing this at a press meet at Pathrakartara Bhavan here yesterday, Sangha President D.T. Prakash said that players from Mysuru, Mandya, Bengaluru, Shivamogga, Udupi, Dakshina Kannada, Ballari, Davanagere and Hubballi are expected to participate who will be provided food and accommodation. Three prizes of Rs.30,000, Rs.20,000 and Rs.10,000 will be given away to the winning teams along with a trophy. Certificates will be issued to all players, he added.

Prakash further said that the Tourney would be inaugurated by Akhila Karnataka Brahmana Mahsabha State President K.N. Venkatanarayan on May 24 at 10 am.

Pejawar Seer Sri Vishvesha Theertha Swamiji and Sri Vidyaprasanna Theertha Swamiji of Kukke Subramanya Mutt will grace the occasion.

District Minister G.T. Devegowda, KPCC President Dinesh Gundu Rao, MLAs S.A. Ramdas, L. Nagendra and BJP leader H.V. Rajeev will be the chief guests.

The valedictory on May 26 at 4.30 pm will have former Cricketer B.S. Chandrashekar giving away prizes to the winning teams. Actors Mandya Ramesh and Roopa Iyrer will be present, said prakash.

KSCA Mysuru Zone U-16 Tourney for Clubs

Mysuru, May 22- The Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA), Mysuru Zone, will be conducting U-16 Inter-Club Cricket Tournament from the first week of June 2019 on week days.

Players born on or after 1st September, 2003 are eligible to participate. Entry fees Rs.295.

The registered teams may collect the prescribed form of submission of the team list along with date of birth proof of the respective players. The last date to submit entries is 30.5.19. For details, call Ph: 0821-2519900.

State Ranking Table Tennis

Bengaluru, May 22- The Malleswaram Association, Bengaluru, will be conducting a State Ranking Table Tennis Tournament from May 25 to 28 at its premises in Bengaluru. For registration, contact S.K. Balakrishna on Mob: 98801-67638.

KSCA Group-I, U-16 Inter-Club Tourney

Swastic Union scores over Friends Union CC

Bengaluru, May 22- Swastic Union Cricket Club (2), Bengaluru, scored a 15-run-win over Friends Union CC (1) in the KSCA Group-I, Division I, II & III Under-16 Inter-Club Cricket Tourney held at Bengaluru recently.

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Swastic Union Cricket Club (2): 247 in 44.5 (M.B. Shivam 71, S.H. Swaroop 64, Karan Umesh 65, R. Darshan 2 for 35, R. Anirudh 4 for 47) bt **FUCC (1):** 232 in 44 overs (Abhay Rangan 84, V. Tyagi 25, M.B. Shivam 2 for 21).

'Most Challenging World Cup'

Virat Kohli before team leaves for England

Mumbai, May 22- Virat Kohli, the Indian skipper, and head coach Ravi Shastri addressed the media ahead of Team India's departure to participate in the Cricket World Cup that is slated to begin on May 30 in England and Wales.

Although this will be the third World Cup for Kohli, it will be the first time that he will be leading the team. "It is the most challenging World Cup, any team can upset any team. Team will have to adapt very quickly," Kohli said at the press conference in Mumbai on Tuesday.

Undoubtedly, Kohli will be the fulcrum of India's famed batting line-up that has a fair share of problems of its own. The number four conundrum needs to be addressed in a unit that is not short of game-changers.

"If we play up to our potential the World Cup will be here," coach Ravi Shastri said.

Virat Kohli, the Indian skipper, addressing the media along with head coach Ravi Shastri in Mumbai yesterday.

"The pitches might be flat, in England overhead conditions will matter. If you go to London, it will. You have to be prepared to be flexible," Shastri added.

Kohli, arguably the best batsman in the world right now, will hold the key to India's chances in the quadrennial event where he is expected to cross 11,000 ODI runs and also add a few more hundreds to his tally of 41.

India's lethal bowling attack, consisting of Jasprit Bumrah, Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Mohammed Shami among others, is pretty much well-set and has been one of the most potent in the recent years.

However, Kohli and Shastri will have to decide if they want to go with an extra all-rounder, Kuldeep Yadav or Yuzvendra Chahal or both.

Before India begin their World Cup 2019 campaign against South Africa on June 5, they will play warm-up games against New Zealand (May 25) and Bangladesh (May 28).

'Will take legal shelter against being blackmailed'

Says Asian Games silver medallist Dutee Chand

New Delhi, May 22- India's fastest woman Dutee Chand on Tuesday said she will take legal shelter against people blackmailing and criticising her over revelation of being in a "same-sex" relationship.

"I will take shelter of the law against persons and organisations," Dutee told reporters, alleging that some media organisations were on "overdrive" to harm her by intruding into her private life.

The Asian Games silver medallist said she had kept the identity of her partner a secret, but still some channels had dug it out and revealed the name and picture. "One should not poke their nose into the private life of other persons," said Dutee.

Asked whether she will initiate legal action against her sister, whom she accused of "blackmailing" over the relationship, Dutee said, "The person may be my blood relation, but I will not spare anyone intruding into my privacy."

Dutee, 23, who holds 100m national record (11.24 seconds), became one of the few athletes in the world to openly admit being in a same-sex relationship.

Dutee Chand

Dutee's elder sister Saraswati said, "My sister is being misled by some people. She is not saying (the) right things."

Dutee's mother also did not approve her relationship.

Earlier, Dutee had said, "I am having a relationship with a 19-year-old woman from my village for the past five years. She is studying B.A. second year in a Bhubaneswar college. She is a relative of mine and whenever I come home, I spend time with her. She is a kind of soul-mate for me and I want to settle down with her in future."

A landmark judgement of the Supreme Court last year had made same sex relationship between consenting adults a non criminal act though marriage between such individuals is still not legal in India.

Asian Athletics Championships Gold Medallist fails Dope Test

New Delhi, May 22- Gomathi Marimuthu, who won the 800 metres gold at the Asian Athletics Championships last month, was Tuesday handed a provisional suspension after being tested positive for a banned substance. The 'A' sample of the 30-year-old runner from Tamil Nadu, who clocked 2 minute and 2.70 seconds to win the gold on April 22, has returned positive for 19-norandrosterone, a metabolite of nandrolone (an anabolic steroid), in the test conducted during the Asian Athletics Championships in Doha.

Gomathi Marimuthu

If her 'B' sample also tests positive, she faces a maximum ban of four years — as this will be her first doping offence — while India will lose a gold medal from the Asian Championships. India had won three gold, seven silver and as many bronze medals in the Asian Championships.

International athletics federation's Athletics Integrity Unit tweeted late on Tuesday to confirm Gomathi's dope flunk.

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Learn Science through experiments: Former VC Prof. Shashidhar Prasad

Former Mysore University VC Prof. J. Shashidhar Prasad addressing the gathering during the inauguration of a six-day workshop on 'Science Model Building Programme-2019' at Vijnana Bhavan in Manasagangothri campus on Monday as former Kuvempu University VC Prof. Prof. P. Venkataramaiah and CDSS Member Dr. Bhagyalakshmi look on.

Mysuru, May 22 (MTY&NNN)- Students should eschew rote learning and instead come forward to learn Science through experiments, said former University of Mysore Vice-Chancellor Prof. J. Shashidhar Prasad.

He was speaking after inaugurating a six-day workshop on 'Science Model Building Programme-2019,' organised by the Committee for Development of Science in Schools (CDSS) at Vijnana Bhavan in Manasagangothri campus, here on Monday and said that Science and Technology are complementary to one another.

This aspect cannot be learned by by-hearting (memorising). Only when one involves oneself in more and more experiments then a meaningful Science can be learned. Science plays an important role in one's life, he said.

The CDSS was the brainchild of former Prime Minister late Rajiv Gandhi, who realised the importance of Science and technology and introduced it among school children to inculcate love for Science among them. This was at a time when there were only two career options being thought of either becoming an engineer or a doctor, said Prof. Prasad.

He also pointed out to the rapid strides China was making in Science and Technology and said that India's neighbour had been successful in overtaking America.

Kuvempu University former Vice-Chancellor Prof. P. Venkataramaiah said that every student has some talents. Hence, a proper atmosphere must be created to tap such talents.

The students must come forward to experiment one's thought process. Once, he or she becomes confident of one's experiments then one should be ready to show them in any forum, he said encouraging the students.

A total of 35 students belonging to classes eight, nine and SSLC from different high schools in the city are participating in the workshop. They will be taught Physics, Chemistry, Zoology, Botany and Mathematics, he said.

CDSS Member Dr. Bhagyalakshmi said that the students must make all efforts to be a part of the workshop, learn properly and see that they achieve something in life.

MLA Ramdas regrets confining of great souls to particular castes

Achievers of various fields, who received 'Sri Shankara Ratna' award during Sri Shankara Jayanti and Philosophers' Day celebrations organised by Karnataka Sena Pade at Shringeri Shankar Mutt in city on Sunday, are seen with MLA S.A. Ramdas and others.

Mysuru, May 22 (PM&NNN)- It is a sad commentary of the times that great souls are being confined to particular sects, community or castes, regretted MLA S.A. Ramdas. He was speaking after inaugurating Sri Shankara Jayanti and Philosophers' Day celebrations organised by the Karnataka Sena Pade at the Shringeri Shankar Mutt here on Sunday and said that in the present day circumstances, the whole world was in search of peace.

Sri Shankaracharya, in his preaching, has talked about what is required for a worthwhile and peaceful life. However, the tragedy is that, in the present political system, all such great souls have been confined to the castes they are born, he regretted. A meaningful life always means thinking about the human values and how to imbibe them in our lives. This is what Shankaracharya has said. He had seen the Chandala (lowest caste) as a Shiva.

But today, this action of the great Acharya is being viewed and debated in many ways. Shankaracharya's thinking is timeless. This is why his greatness has endured for all these centuries, said Ramdas.

On the occasion, Sri Shankara Ratna awards were presented to achievers in various fields — Akhila Bharata Congress Samaja Seva Samiti State President P. Lakshman Prabhu, Corporator B.V. Manjunath, LIC officer Dr. P. Shantharaje Urs, Science teacher N.V. Dinesh, Dr. K. Krishnamurthy, Samshodhana Pratishtana Founder Dr. K. Leela Prakash, St. Mother Teresa Virtual University Registrar Dr. R. Vijaya Sarswathi and Social Activist Mohammad Nazeer.

Along with this, Pratibha Puraskar was presented to students who had scored the highest marks in SSLC exams.

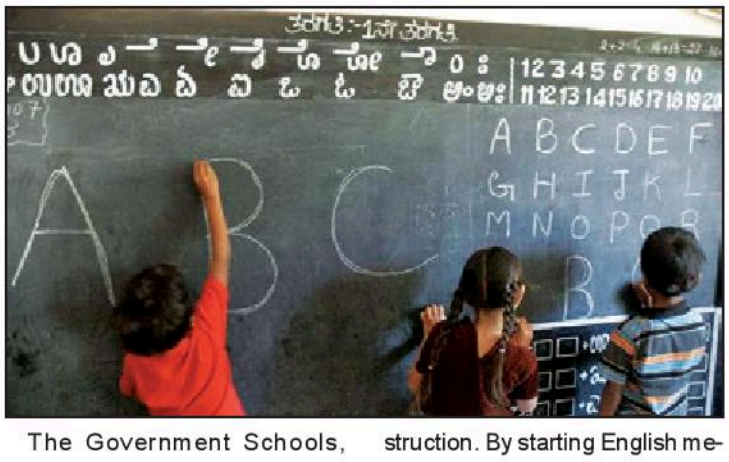
BJP Leader Yashasvi Somashekar, Mysuru City and District Brahmana Sangha's D.T. Prakash, Congress former City President Ravishankar and others were present.

English Medium classes in Government Schools from this academic year

Bengaluru, May 22- Amidst severe opposition from several writers and Kannada activist, the State Government on Tuesday issued an order on starting English medium classes in a thousand Government Schools across the State from this academic year itself.

The Government notification in this regard also mentions starting of 100 Public Schools and Pre-Primary Schools (Nursery Schools).

The thousand schools teaching English Medium are distributed across all 176 taluks of the State.



The Government Schools, which had only Kannada medium of instruction, will now have additional English medium of instruction. By starting English medium classes, the Government hopes to attract more children and also popularise Government Schools. The English medium classes will follow NCERT books for English and Maths subject and Karnataka State syllabus for Environmental Studies and Kannada subjects. The teachers appointed to teach English medium classes are trained at the Regional Institute of English.

Apart from introduction of English medium instruction in Government Schools, the Government is going to start 100 new Karnataka Public Schools at different locations across the State, aimed at imparting quality education to children.

Cane growers' protest on June 4

Mysuru, May 22 (YDS&US)- Members of State Sugarcane Growers' Association and Federation of Farmers' Associations of the State have decided to stage a protest in front of Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru on June 4 to urge the Government to arrange payment of dues from sugar factories.

This decision was taken at a meeting of the State Committee of the aforementioned organisations held at Chetan Garden in city on Monday.

Speaking on the occasion, Association State President Kurubur Shantakumar disclosed that over Rs.3,000 crore of dues should be paid by over 50 sugar factories. He alleged that the loan-waiver scheme for farmers has a lot of conditions laid down by the Government which should be relaxed. He urged the Govt. to get the Mysore Paper Mills in Bhadravati and Srirama Sugars in Chunchanakatte re-opened as assured by the Government. He also sought a remedy for wild animals straying into human habitat adjoining forests.

Raitha Sangha Treasurer M.B. Chetan, Gen. Secretary S.N. Basavanna, Organising Secretary Devaraj and others were present.

Non-functioning street-lights plunge Outer Ring Road into darkness

Driving on this orphaned stretch is a nightmare for motorists

Mysuru, May 22 (RK&NNN)- In spite of the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) handing over the complete maintenance of the Outer Ring Road (ORR) to the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI), the problems on the road seem to persist.

The 42.1 km ORR was constructed to prevent heavy traffic of lorries and trucks from entering the city. But most of the street lights on the long stretch are not functioning, which is causing a lot of problems to the road users.

The officials themselves accept the fact that it is more than six months since the T-type street lamp posts that have been installed all along the stretch have stopped functioning. The MUDA built the ORR, which no doubt prevented the heavy vehicles like lorries, trucks and buses coming from Madikeri, H.D. Kote, Nanjangud, T. Narasipur, Bannur, Mahadevapura, Bengaluru and KRS, entering Mysuru city, thus easing the pressure on traffic.

However, the weeds and wild growth on the service roads, the broken drainage slabs lying in many places, the non-functional street lights and the potholes on the road ,have all caused problems for the vehicles to move on these roads.

Besides, the dumping of construction waste materials from the buildings on the nearby layouts by the side of the Service Roads has resulted in the blocking of some these roads. Hence, the local motorists are forced to use the Ring Road.

MUDA which was maintaining the Ring Road and the street lights, has handed over the maintenance to NHAI last year. Even though the handing over was done in the presence of MP Pratap Simha, the problem of maintenance that has come to a standstill, persists.

As the street lights have stopped functioning on the 42.1 km stretch, the whole area is plunged into darkness. As a result, the number of accidents is also increasing. Also, the wine stores that have come up on the service roads all along the stretch are leading to booze parties.

The darkness on the ORR has led to the stretch becoming a haven for dacoities, robberies, abductions and amoral activities. Hence, it has become very difficult to traverse on ORR.

Even though the Highway Patrol cars and Garuda personnel keep doing the rounds, driving on this road in the middle of the night or early in the morning has become frightening. Most of the crimes occurring in Mysuru city are being reported on Ring Road.

If the MUDA has washed its hands off giving the excuse that it has handed over the maintenance to National Highway Authority of India, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) brushes it away ascertaining that it does not come under its limits.

The NHAI though is responsible for the maintenance, claims that maintaining the 'Street Lights' is not in its jurisdiction and it has no funds for that. In short, the citizens of Mysuru are put to untold hardship driving or riding on this orphaned Ring Road.

There is a provision to spend Rs.1,000 per km to lay the Service Road next to Ring Road by removing weeds and wild growth. However, there is no fund to pay for the street light bill or for its repairs. Nearly Rs. 3 crore per year is required to pay the electricity bill and for the maintenance of the street lights. We have sent the proposal for special permission and grant to the National Highway Authority of India in Delhi. We have not received a reply from them. Only after we receive a reply we can take action.

—Hemalatha, Executive Engineer, NHAI, Mysuru Division

Srirangapatna Tahsildar fined Rs. 10,000 under RTI Act

Mandya, May 22(US)- It has now come to light that Srirangapatna taluk Tahsildar Nagesh has been fined Rs. 10,000 by the Karnataka Information Commission for reportedly not providing information under the Right To Information (RTI) Act based on a complaint lodged by one B.S. Vishwanath. The Assistant Commissioner, Revenue Department has been instructed to submit a report indicating deduction of Rs. 5,000 for two consecutive months from the Tahsildar's salary.

Case: B.S. Vishwanath, residing at 78/4, Govindappa Road, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru, had sought over seven informations on Mar.15, 2016 regarding details of land with survey number 10/96-97 / 8-8-1996. When he failed to get the needed details, Vishwanath had filed a petition against Tahsildar Nagesh with the Appellate Tribunal. When everything proved futile, Vishwanath was said to have knocked the doors of Karnataka Information Commission. As the Tahsildar reportedly failed to provide information and remained absent for the hearing, he was fined Rs. 10,000 on Feb. 26, 2019 by the Commission.

Pension Adalat

Mysuru, May 22- The Department of Posts, Mysuru Division, will be conducting Pension Adalat at the Senior Postal Superintendent Office on June 3 at 3 pm. Pensioners must submit their grievances before June 2 at the Office of the Senior Postal Superintendent, Mysuru Division, according to press release.

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WORD OF THE DAY

Boustrophedon

Pronunciation: boo-struh-FEE-dahn.

Meaning: Writing of alternate lines in opposite directions (as from left to right and right to left).

Origin: Before the standardisation of writing from left to right, ancient Greek inscribers once used a style called boustrophedon, a word meaning literally "turning like oxen in plowing." When they came to the end of a line, the ancient Greeks simply started the next line immediately below the last letter, writing the letters and words in the opposite direction, and thus following the analogy of oxen plowing left to right, then right to left. Reverse boustrophedon writing has also been found in which the inscribers turned the document 180 degrees before starting a new line so that the words are always read left to right with every half turn. The word boustrophedon itself is formed from the Greek word for the ox or cow, bous, and the verb strephein, which means "to turn."

Example: The archaeologist noticed that the text on the tablet was written in boustrophedon.

THE ODD WORD

Bumfuzzle

Confused, perplexed

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Backroom boy

Meaning: One who works in anonymity in an organisation while others take on more public roles.

Origin: First used to describe the anonymous technicians and scientists who worked behind the scenes in the UK during World War-II. Lord Beaverbrook coined it in a speech in March 1941: "Now who is responsible for this work of development on which so much depends? To whom must the praise be given? To the boys in the back rooms. They do not sit in the limelight. But they are the men who do all the work. Many of them are Civil Servants."

The expression may date from earlier than 1941 as, by April 1942, it was the title of a comic film by the popular English variety artist Arthur Askey.

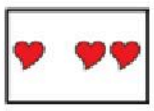
Note that a related word - boffin, also emerged around the same time, seen in this example from just at the end of WW-II: The (London) Times, September 1945 - "A band of scientific men who performed their wartime wonders at Malvern and apparently called themselves 'the boffins'."

QUOTE BOX

If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude. **—Maya Angelou**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus below:



Answer: Heart to heart.

SUDOKU

				6		7		3
7					9			
4		9		8				
					5		2	8
		5	8	3	1	9		
1	8		6					
				2		8		1
			5					4
5		6		1				

Answer to previous puzzle

9	6	8	3	5	2	4	7	1
4	5	7	1	8	9	3	2	6
3	1	2	7	6	4	8	5	9
2	7	1	8	3	5	9	8	4
8	3	6	4	9	7	2	1	5
5	4	9	8	2	1	6	3	7
7	2	5	9	4	8	1	6	3
1	9	3	2	7	6	5	4	8
6	8	4	5	1	3	7	9	2

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

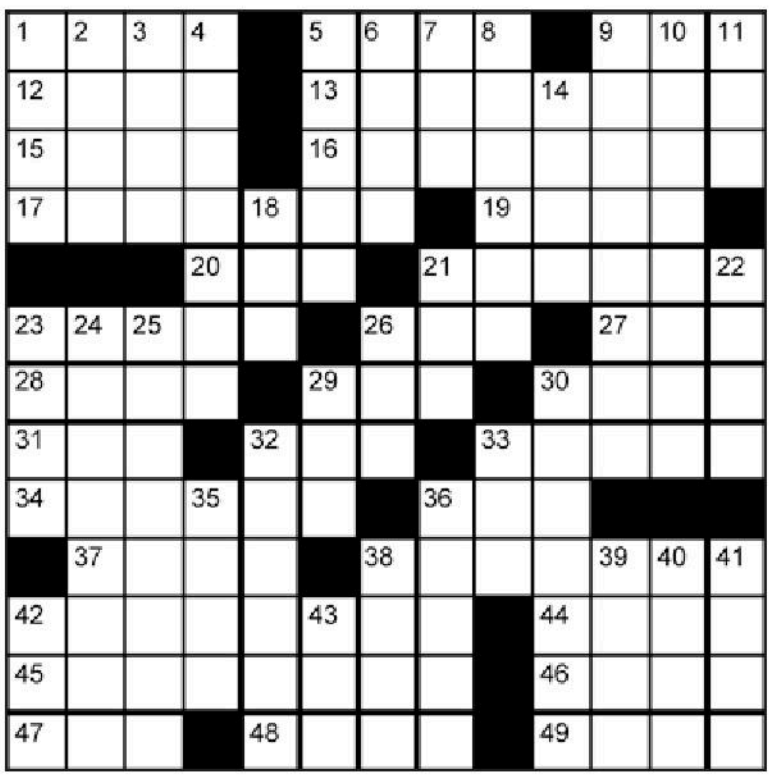
1 And others, abbreviated, in Latin (2,2)
5 Look like Tom?
9 A horsy command?
12 A loose and flowing outer garment
13 Defeat
15 Bread spread?
16 Recurring at intervals
17 Yellow element
19 Sound of pain
20 ___ Ki Khatir : "Just for you" in Hindi or Urdu?
21 Young ones of cows
23 Mimics or copiers
26 An East Indian shrub
27 Actual Navigation Performance
28 ____ on : entice?
29 Girl's name
30 Reliquary
31 Air Transp. Radio
32 Pan-broil
33 A period of silence
34 Comment
36 French for 'Duke'
37 Avatar of Lord Vishnu
38 Teaching; instruction
42 Begin suddenly (6,2)
44 A small island
45 Don't neglect to do; be cautious? (4,4)
46 Of the ear
47 Central nervous system, acronym
48 Costal birds
49 Secluded place

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

F	A	T	■	L	A	N	A	■	T	B	A	R
U	T	E	■	I	P	O	D	■	R	A	G	E
M	A	S	S	A	C	R	E	■	I	D	O	L
E	P	S	O	M	■	A	L	E	C	■	■	■
■	■	■	A	N	G	■	E	S	K	I	M	O
T	H	E	R	E	O	F	■	T	Y	R	O	L
R	E	V	■	E	C	O	L	I	■	A	S	E
A	R	E	A	S	■	P	I	M	E	N	T	O
M	A	S	C	O	T	■	C	A	B	■	■	■
■	■	■	U	N	I	T	■	T	O	W	E	R
W	H	A	M	■	F	E	M	I	N	I	N	E
E	A	S	E	■	F	A	R	O	■	N	D	A
E	T	O	N	■	S	K	I	N	■	E	S	P

DOWN

1 Greek god or Bombay Talkies?
2 ____ Balsam : soothing ointment?
3 Son of Adam
4 Spotted feline
5 Appear suddenly (3,2)
6 At all times
7 Ever, contracted by a poet
8 Original, first
9 One of India's major rivers
10 High distinction
11 European Economic Community
14 Not hot and not cold
18 Owns or possesses
21 Is able
22 Argument or tiff
23 Pertaining to wings
24 J M Barrie character (5,3)
25 Designates or reserves for a particular use
26 One, no matter which
29 Noah's boat
30 Public sale
32 Anatole ___ : winner of 1921 Nobel Prize for literature ?
33 French for 'who'
35 Friendly femme
36 Swindles or makes a fool of
38 Rotate
39 Analogy words
40 Medley or mixture of sorts
41 Narrower part of a bottle
42 Supplemental Type Certificate
43 A type of fish



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

YX VBN SEUL'A XYEUZ DYAQ ULAQNPYSPF, VBN

DYMM CU XYEUZ DYAQ ULAQNPYSPF

TODAY'S CLUE: S EQUALS A

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: When we are unable to find tranquility within ourselves, it is useless to seek it elsewhere.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
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	Lakshmi	2443584	M.Show
Kanchana 3	Lakshmi	2443584	3 Shows
Howla Howla	Sangam	2520494	M.Show
99	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Kavaludaari	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
Premier Padmini	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
Yajamana	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
HINDI			
Stepney 2 Returns	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Mr. Local	Mahadeshwara	9986022634	4 Shows
	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
Ayogya	Sangam	2520494	3 Shows
TELUGU			
Vinaya Vidheya Rama	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
Maharshi	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
Magnet	Uma	2520009	4 Shows

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Avengers: Endgame (E-3D)	(S-1)	9.50 am
	(S-4)	6.30 pm
Mr. Local (Ta)	(S-1)	1.15 pm
Premier Padmini (K)	(S-1)	4.15 pm
Maharshi (Te)	(S-1)	6.35 pm; (S-2) 10 am
	(S-3)	3.55 pm
De De Pyaar De (H)	(S-1)	9.55 pm
	(S-3)	1.15 pm, 7.15 pm
Bell Bottom (K)	(S-2)	1.30 pm
The Tashkent Files (H)	(S-2)	4.10 pm
ABCD (Te)	(S-2)	7.05 pm
	(S-4)	9.55 pm
Ratnamanjarii (K)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Natpuna Ennanu Theriyuma (Ta)	(S-3)	10.45 am
John Wick: Chapter 3 – Parabellum (E)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Mookavismitha (K)	(S-4)	10.30 am
Student Of The Year 2 (H)	(S-4)	1.15 pm
Pokemon Detective Pirachu (E)	(S-4)	4.10 pm

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De De Pyaar De (H)	(S-1)	10.15 am, 1.05 pm, 3.55 pm, 6.45 pm
	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Maharshi (Te)	(S-2)	4.00 pm; (S-3) 9.40 pm
Kaarmoda Saridu (K)	(S-4)	1.20 pm
Avengers: Endgame (E-3D)	(S-1)	9.35 pm
Student Of The Year -2 (H)	(S-3)	10.05 am, 6.40 pm
	(S-2)	1.00 pm
Howla Howla (K)	(S-3)	4.15 pm
Ratnamanjari (K)	(S-4)	6.45 pm
Mr. Local (Ta)	(S-3)	1.05 pm; (S-4) 9.50 pm
Pokemon Detective Pirachu (E)	(S-4)	11.00 am; (S-2) 7.35 pm
ABCD (Te)	(S-2)	9.55 am
	(S-4)	3.40 pm

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ABCD (Te)	9.45 am, 6.40 pm
Maharshi (Te)	9.55 am, 3.25 pm, 10.00 pm
Student Of The Year 2 (H)	12.45 pm, 6.50 pm, 9.50 pm
Premier Padmini (K)	12.55 pm
Kaarmoda Saridu (K)	1.35 pm
Ratnamanjarii (K)	3:30 pm
Howla Howla (K)	4.05 pm
Avengers: Endgame (E-3D)	9.50 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

Vocal Concert at Sri Ganapathy Ashrama

Vidu. Anjali Gaikwad and Vidu. Nandini Gaikwad presenting a Vocal Concert at Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama premises on Ooty Road in Dattanagar last evening as part of the ongoing 20th Brahmotsava of Sri Datta Venkateshwara Kshetra.

'Marali Brindavanake' poetry collection released

'Marali Brindavanake,' a collection of poems penned by Vidu. Revathi Srikanth, was released at the 29th Anniversary of Swaralaya School of Music at Ganabharathi's Veene Seshanna Bhavana in city recently. Seen in the picture are (from left) Swaralaya School of Music Secretary H.S. Srikantamani, Ayurveda Jyotishi Aditya V. Bhargav, Dr. Geetha Seetharam, Vidu. Revathi Srikanth, Swaralaya President Suma Harinath, Sarada Vilas Lecturer Rajendraprasad Honnalagere, Journalist S.S. Srilakshmi and A.V. Dhattatreya.

EVENTS TODAY (MAY 22)

JSS Mahavidyapeetha - JSS Mysuru Urban Haat: 104th thematic handicrafts exhibition, Urban Haat premises, #Plot No. 432, Ring Road, Hebbal Industrial Area, **up to 9 pm.**

Solitaire Art Gallery: 'Splendour of water colours,' an exhibition of painting by H.P. Rangaswamy, Gallery premises, 9th Cross, near Ganesha Temple, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **up to 7 pm.**

Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), Mysuru Local Centre: Technical Talk on 'Role of Architects in Present Scenario' by G.K. Sudheendra, architect, Dr. R. Suresh, Chairman, IEI Mysuru, presides, D.K. Dinesh Kumar, Hon. Secretary, IEI Mysuru, will be present, S.P. Bhat Hall, Institution premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**

Sri Srinivasa Swamy Temple: Annual Celebrations, Ankurarpane, Temple Road, Tilak Nagar, **6 pm.**

Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham - Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama: 77th Birthday of Sri Ganapathy Swamiji, 20th Brahmotsava of Sri Datta Venkateshwara Kshetra and 21st Anniversary of Nada Mantapa, Karnatak Classical and Bhajans on Indonesian Instrument Angklung by Dr. Anasuya Kulkarni and troupe, Ashrama premises, Dattanagar, **6.30 pm.**

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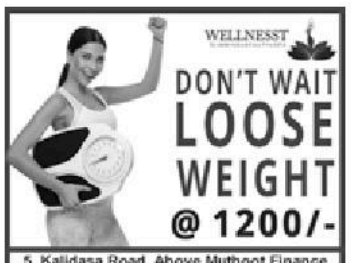

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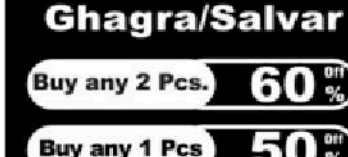

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